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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Easterday et al

Serial No. 10/780,951

Filed: February 18, 2004

For: **LOW TEMPERATURE NITROCARBURIZING  
SALT AND METHOD OF USE**

) Examiner John P. Sheehan

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Attorney Docket No. HEF-10-5563-C1

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the examiner's letter of June 21, 2005, it is respectfully requested that the examiner reconsider the rejection of claims 1-14 and allow claims 1-14.

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